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**MEMORANDUM FOR See Distribution**

**SUBJECT: Enlistment of Non-High School Graduates under the Army National Guard (ARNG) GED Plus Program (NGB-ARH Policy memo # 06-027)**

1. Reference memorandum, DAPE-MPA, 12 September 2005, subject: Implementation of the Tier II Attrition Screen (TTAS) Education Plus Program.
2. This memorandum supersedes NGB-ARH policy memo # 06-018, subject: Enlistment of Non-High School Graduates under the Army National Guard (ARNG) GED Plus Program, dated 13 Mar 06.
3. Purpose. The ARNG GED Plus Program is designed to enable a Tier III applicant (non high school graduate) the opportunity to enlist in the ARNG and earn a GED prior to shipment to Initial Entry Training (IET).
4. Eligibility. Applicants enlisting under this program must meet the standards as set forth in the current ECM, along with the following additional requirements:
  - a. Achieve a minimum score of 31 or higher on the ASVAB.
  - b. Provide a certified transcript showing completion of at least the ninth grade.
  - c. Be withdrawn from high school at least six months prior to enlistment.
  - d. Be 18 years old or older or be ineligible to return to his/her local high school for completion of the high school diploma program.
  - e. Glossary Non Prior Service (GNPS) applicants ARE eligible for this program.
  - f. Medical waivers are the only waivers authorized under this program.
5. Initial Entry Training. All applicants enlisting under the GED Plus Program must acknowledge the requirement to achieve their GED prior to shipment to IET. When scheduling GED Plus applicants for IET, guidance counselors will select a ship date that is at least 6 months after the date of enlistment. In addition, GED Plus applicants may not participate in the Split Training Option (STO), and may not be shipped for Initial Entry Training (IET) until they obtain their GED.

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6. GED Plus Training Program. All applicants enlisting under the GED Plus Program will be enrolled in the GED Plus Training Program. The GED Plus Training Program is comprised of an online training program and a resident course currently being conducted at the Professional Education Center at Camp Robinson, AR. All GED Plus applicants must be enrolled in both the on line training program and the resident course by the RRF within 30 days of enlistment. As an exception to this requirement, GED Plus applicants who obtain an accredited GED completion certificate or diploma through other means (GED Test Center, State ESO, etc...) will be exempt from attending the GED Plus resident course.

7. Incentives. GED Plus applicants are eligible for ARNG incentives provided they meet the criteria outlined in the current ARNG Selected Reserve Incentive Program (SRIP) guidance issued by NGB-ARM.

8. Educational Reporting and Tier Two Attrition Screen (TTAS). Applicants who enlist under the GED Plus Program will be enlisted as a Tier II applicant (alternate high school credential holder). All applicants will be required to take the Assessment of Individual Motivation (AIM) test as part of the TTAS program. Those applicants who score a 50 or higher on both the ASVAB and the AIM test will be excluded from ARNG quality calculations by NGB.

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